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School Newsletter 5

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Dear Parents/Caregivers Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

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The Teaching Profession: How valued?

The **Primary Teachers' Collective Agreement** (outlining all employment conditions) **lapsed in June 2022**. Since then several negotiations have failed to reach an agreement. The government has been unwilling to move on the majority of points teachers & principals deem as vital. This stand-off is not just about pay - it has **large ramifications for the quality of our education system**. A vote is being taken this week by union members. The **outcome MAY be a strike on Thursday 16 March (tbc)**. This action is only ever contemplated when there is no other action to take.

A message from NZEI (the Teachers' union): *We all want the best for our kids. Our teachers love what they do, but **not enough funding for schools** means that they don't have the time they would like to support all kids to thrive.*

*We can fix this though. NZEI Te Riu Roa primary teacher and principal members are making the case to Government for the best investment in tamariki. **Smaller class sizes, more time for individual students and more specialist learning support staffing** would make a huge difference. **Keeping and retaining teachers is top of mind right now** - any action we take will aim to make sure that teaching is valued and is an attractive profession.*

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Parent Information Afternoon (tomorrow)



When: **Wednesday 8 March**

Where: **Room 4**

Kiwi team: 3.15-3.55pm (Yr 1-3: Rms 5-10, 13)

Kahu team: 4.00-4.40pm (Yr 3-6: Rms 1-4, 11-12)

Team Leaders Corin Armstead (Kiwi) and Caleb Rosamond (Kahu) will outline key learning programmes for their team this year and will share learning and behaviour expectations for classes across the team.

The leaders will be supported by the teachers from their respective teams.

Parents will be able to ask questions, share comments and gain further clarity at the conclusion of the presentation. This will occur via small group discussions facilitate by staff.

A great opportunity to feel informed!

Kotahitanga' is the concept of 'togetherness'.

It means unity, inclusiveness, working together to achieve common goals ...

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'Back to School' Social Evening

Bring a blanket, dinner and drinks for a couple of hours of mixing and mingling, fun and a few organised activities before 'summer' ends!

Have some fun and get to know a few more of our amazing school whānau - parents/caregivers, staff and students. A great opportunity to make connections!

When: **Thursday 16 March** (date may have to change if industrial action takes place - sorry!)

Where: **On our school field**

Activity session 1: **5-5.45pm**

Dinner break: 5.45-6.15pm

Activity session 2: **6.15-7.15pm**

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Office Finance Personnel: Deadline extended!

I have not had a great deal of interest in the job so far! So I will give people a couple more days!

If you were considering applying please make contact immediately.

We look forward to appointing a fantastic person to this role!

Applications to: rjohnson@coatesvilleschool.nz

Applications close: 10 March at 10am (deadline extended)

We are looking for **the right person to join our team** (part time, 7-10 hours per week)!

Experience is an advantage - but the right person **can definitely learn on the job!**

If you are interested in the position please visit:

www.coatesville.school.nz/job-vacancies ('Admin/Job vacancies' on our school website)

Late for School: Expectations

Having children at school before the bell rings is good for everyone! We understand that people are late on occasions. But if it is more than occasional it does become a concern. The following clearly outlines our process each morning:

8.55am	Handbell goes to indicate class starts in 5 minutes
9am	Electronic bell rings Children should be inside the classroom ready for the attendance to be recorded Teachers start to record attendance
LATE: 9.01-9.15am	Children arriving at school between 9.01-9.15am must report to the office and will be recorded as 'Late'. They will be asked for a reason and this will be recorded. A parent/caregiver <u>MAY</u> choose to sign in the child at the office themselves. They will need to choose from the options listed.
After 9.15am? Sign In	A parent/caregiver <u>MUST</u> come to the school office and sign the child in. The child is not permitted to sign in after 9.15am without an adult. Parent/caregiver will be asked to choose from several options to record the reason for the lateness.

Signing In and Out: Expectations



Drop-off After 9.15am: 'Signing In'

A parent/caregiver **MUST** sign the child in at the school office and choose from the following options:

- **Doctor appointment, Dental appointment, Family, Slept in, Missed bus, Traffic, Running late, Other** (you will be asked to give a reason)

If you know your child will be late please notify us of the absence beforehand

Leaving before 3pm: 'Signing Out'

A parent/caregiver **MUST** sign the child out at the school office and choose from the following options:

- **Sick, Doctor appointment, Dental appointment, Family, Sport, Other** (you will be asked to give a reason)



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Year 1-6 Netball Registrations 2023

If your child would like to play netball this year during terms 2 & 3 then please register using the following form; [Coatesville School Netball Registrations 2023](#)

Years 1 - 4

Saturday mornings to mid-afternoons at Pinehurst School, \$75 per player.

Year 5 & 6

Once the squads have been finalised, teams can choose to play at either Pinehurst (Saturday mornings - \$75) or at Netball North Harbour, Northcote (Wednesday afternoons/evenings - \$115)

Registrations close at 1pm on Wednesday 15th March.

Further information regarding the season can be found on the [Netball page of our website](#) - [Jo Windust- Netball Coordinator](#)

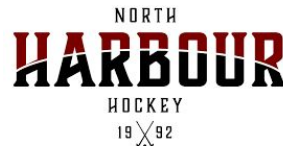


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Year 3-6 Hockey Registrations 2023

If your child would like to play hockey this year during terms 2 & 3 then please register using the following form; [Coatesville School Hockey Registrations 2023](#)



Year 3 & 4 Teams

Monday afternoons at the North Harbour Hockey Turfs, Albany. \$120 per player.

Year 5 & 6 Teams

Monday afternoons/evenings at the North Harbour Hockey Turfs, Albany. \$125 per player.

Registrations close at 1pm on Wednesday 15th March.

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School Assemblies

School assemblies are held fortnightly in the assembly area - or may be scheduled for Room 4 (if the weather is poor and the assembly is suitable to be completed indoors).

Assemblies are primarily for acknowledging progress/achievement and for sharing learning and key messages with the school.

Scheduled assemblies for the rest of the term:

Friday 10 March (this Friday)

Friday 24 March

Thursday 6 April (last day of term)

Starting at 9.05am

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ALL BRAINS ARE AWESOME!

Is your child wired differently or
neurodivergent?

Keen to meet with other
parents/whanau of ND kids at
Coatesville School?

Let's connect!
Coffee after assembly
March 10th

RSVP Anna Liguori
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Subway Lunch: Wednesdays!

A Lunch Option

Parents can place an online order, by **9am each Subway® Day**, which is **delivered every Wednesday**.

Simply visit www.subway.co.nz/schools and follow the instructions to place your order.

Should you have any queries over Subway® Days please contact Dhaval at Subway on 021 1801861.

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!!!SAVE THE DATE!!!

CANDY LAND DISCO!

DATE: FRIDAY 31 MARCH

VENUE: ROOM 4

KIWI DISCO: 5PM - 6:15PM

KAHU DISCO: 6:30PM - 7:30PM

**MORE DETAILS AND REGISTRATION
DETAILS TO FOLLOW NEXT WEEK**



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Important Dates: Term 1 & beyond

Key dates

Kahu & Kiwi teams: Parent Information afternoon Wednesday 8 March Kiwi team 3.15pm-3.55pm
Kahu team 4.00-4.40pm

Inter-School Swimming Sports Thursday 16 March (tbc)

Back to School Social Evening Thursday 16 March 5-7.15pm (tbc)

Last Day of Term 1 Thursday 6 April (Good Friday is the 7th)

Teacher Only Day Monday 24 April (School closed - Kahui Ako conference/MOE designated TOD)

First Day of Term 2 Wednesday 26 April (ANZAC Day is the 25th - school closed)